



## MANAGER'S BRIEFING

Date: Tuesday, September 23rd, 2008 Time: 1400CT  
Preparedness levels: **Eastern Area 1 National 2**

***Fire Weather Watches/Red Flag Warnings: None***

Please check your local National Weather Service Fire Weather Forecast for more info  
at: <http://fire.boi.noaa.gov/>.

### Eastern Area Activity

Situation Report activity as of 9/22

[EA Situation Report Link](#)

|                   |          |             |         |              |            |
|-------------------|----------|-------------|---------|--------------|------------|
| Unit Fire danger  | Low: 111 | Moderate: 8 | High: 0 | Very High: 0 | Extreme: 0 |
| New Fire Activity | Fires: 1 | Acres: 1    |         |              |            |
| Rx Activity:      | Fires: 0 | Acres: 0    |         |              |            |

(Activity Fri-Sun)

| Initial Attack Activity |       |      |          |          |           |          |
|-------------------------|-------|------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|
| Agency                  | State | Unit | Human    | Acres    | Lightning | Acres    |
| ST                      | MD    | MDS  | 1        | 1        | 0         | 0        |
| <b>Total</b>            |       |      | <b>1</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>0</b>  | <b>0</b> |

[NWS Point Forecasts](#)

### Fire Potential Outlook

[Forecast Fire Danger](#)

#### Great Lakes Compact:

**Fire Danger:** Low to moderate.

**Fire Weather:** Areas of showers and storms will affect the western ½ of the Great Lakes Tuesday afternoon into Wednesday morning as a cool front and an upper low advance through the area. The eastern ½ of the Great Lakes will see lesser chances of rain as the cool front moves through on Wednesday. Breezy and cooler west to southwest winds will prevail behind the front late Tuesday into Wednesday. The strongest wind speeds will occur over the far north Tuesday night into Wednesday morning. The next chance of rainfall is forecast across the northern Great Lakes this weekend.

**Activity:** None reported.

#### Big Rivers Compact:

**Fire Danger:** Mainly low in Iowa and Missouri, with some pockets of moderate in Illinois and Indiana.

**Fire Weather:** Scattered showers and storms will affect the northwest Big Rivers ahead of a cool front moving through southern Canada and the Great Lakes Tuesday afternoon into Wednesday morning. Mainly dry weather is forecast elsewhere for the rest of the work week and into the weekend.

**Activity:** None reported.

#### Northeast Compact:

**Fire Danger:** Ranges from low to moderate across the compact.

**Fire Weather:** Mainly dry conditions are forecast through mid-week across the Northeast. Rain chances should then increase across the eastern portions of the area Thursday afternoon into Thursday night as a low pressure area moves northward along the Atlantic Coast Friday into the weekend. Strong north to northeast winds will also affect the coastal areas near the low.

**Activity:** None reported.

#### Mid-Atlantic Compact:

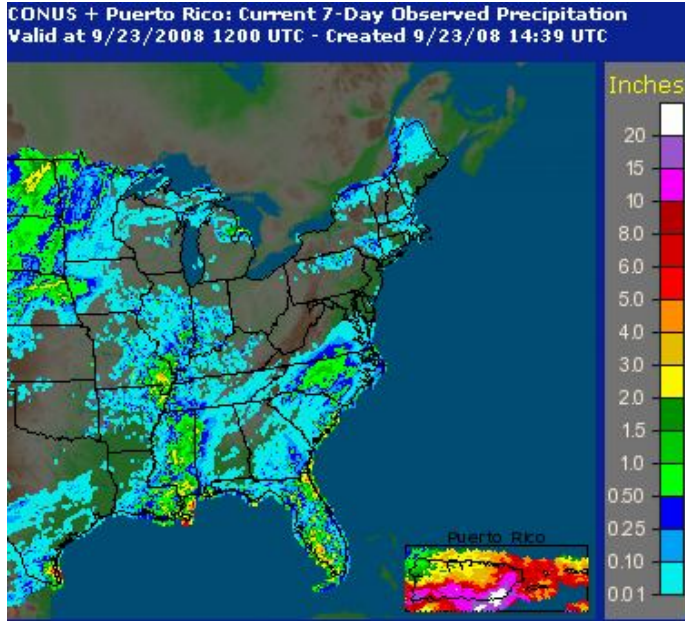
**Fire Danger:** Low to moderate for the compact.

**Fire Weather:** Mainly dry conditions are forecast through mid-week across the Mid-Atlantic States. Rain chances should then increase across the eastern portions of the area Wednesday night into Friday as a low pressure area moves northward along the Atlantic Coast Friday into the weekend. Strong north to northeast winds will also affect the coastal areas near the low. The western portions of the Mid-Atlantic Compact will continue to dry out this week.

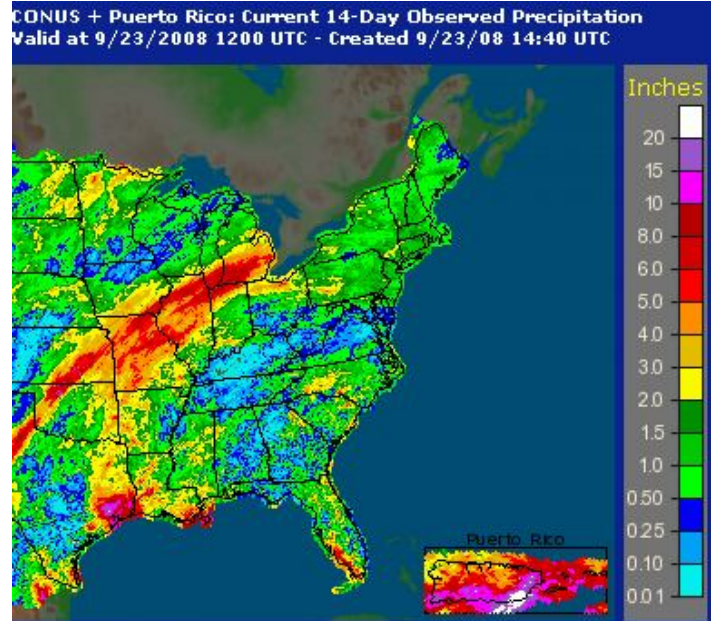
**Activity:** One fire reported by Maryland State.

# Fire Weather/Fire Danger Forecast

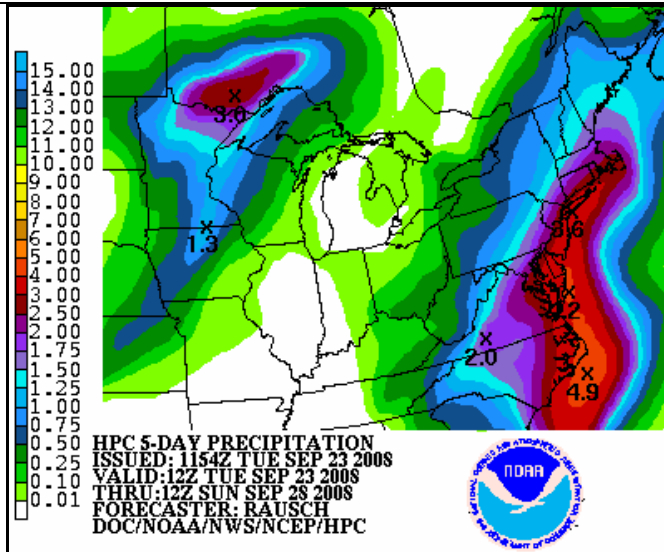
## 7 Day Accumulated Precipitation



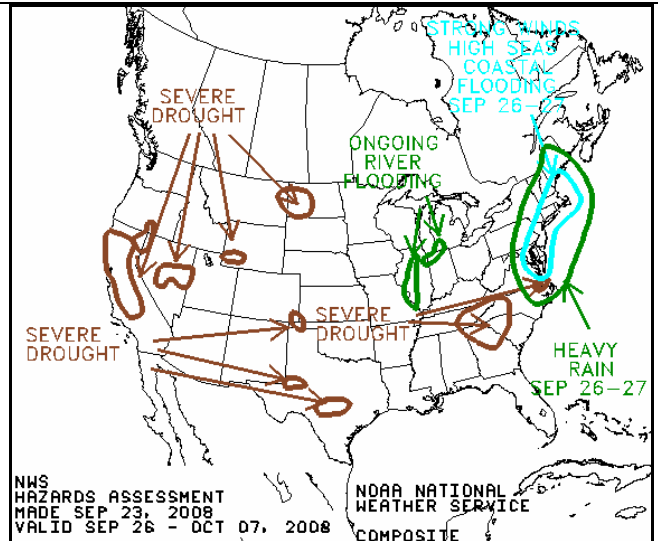
## 14 Day Accumulated Precipitation



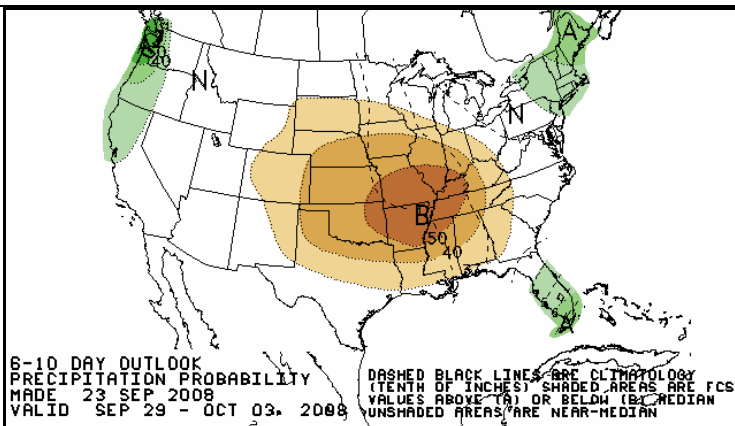
## 5 Day Forecast Precipitation Totals



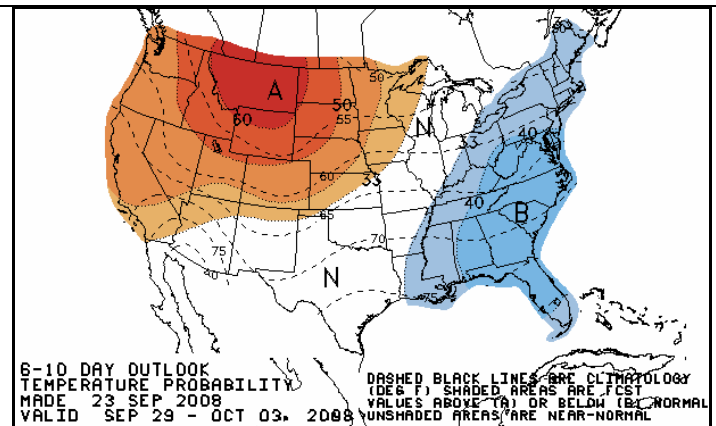
## 10 Day Forecast Hazards Assessment



## 6 to 10 Day Precipitation Outlook



## 6 to 10 Day Temperature Outlook



[EA Weather Briefing Link](#)

[Observed Fire Danger Link](#)

[Forecasted Fire Danger Link](#)

[Four Panel Forecast](#)

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| <b>Prescribed Burning</b> |                  |          |                     |                |                          |          |                     |          |
|---------------------------|------------------|----------|---------------------|----------------|--------------------------|----------|---------------------|----------|
| <i>Prescribed Fires</i>   |                  |          |                     |                | <i>Wildland Fire Use</i> |          |                     |          |
|                           | <b>New Fires</b> |          | <b>Year to date</b> |                | <b>New Fires</b>         |          | <b>Year to date</b> |          |
| <b>Agency</b>             | Fires            | Acres    | Fires               | Acres          | Fires                    | Acres    | Fires               | Acres    |
| <b>BIA</b>                | 0                | 0        | 46                  | 30,380         | 0                        | 0        | 0                   | 0        |
| <b>FWS</b>                | 0                | 0        | 335                 | 53,458         | 0                        | 0        | 0                   | 0        |
| <b>NPS</b>                | 0                | 0        | 17                  | 860            | 0                        | 0        | 0                   | 0        |
| <b>ST</b>                 | 0                | 0        | 1,591               | 108,125        | 0                        | 0        | 0                   | 0        |
| <b>FS</b>                 | 0                | 0        | 97                  | 11,447         | 0                        | 0        | 0                   | 0        |
| <b>TOTALS</b>             | <b>0</b>         | <b>0</b> | <b>2,086</b>        | <b>204,270</b> | <b>0</b>                 | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b>            | <b>0</b> |

For today's planned burns please see the EA Daily Planned RX link above.

[Large Fire Map](#)[InciWeb: National Incidents](#)

| <b>Situation</b>  | <b>Resources</b>   |
|---|--|
| Initial attack activity: Light (70 new fires)<br>New large fires: 0 (*)<br>Large fires contained: 1<br>Uncontained large fires: 4 | Area Command Teams committed: 0<br>NIMOs committed: 2<br>Type 1 IMT's committed: 3<br>Type 2 IMT's committed: 4<br>Fire Use Teams committed: 0 |

Geographic Areas with Planning Levels of 4 or higher: None

**Critical Resource Shortages:** None reported.

**Predictive Services Discussion:** Becoming warmer and drier from Texas westward across the Southwest as high pressure starts to build in across the Four-Corner region. Drying out and a little warmer across the Northern Rockies Area. A cold front will approach the Pacific Northwest and northern California, bringing a cool westerly onshore flow, along with increasing high clouds. Widespread showers and thunderstorms will continue again across Florida. Elsewhere mainly seasonable early fall conditions

## EA Resource Status

[\(UTF\) Link to view ROSS requests filled and unable to fill](#)

**Eastern Area Fire Use Team:** (Bonefeld) Unavailable  
**Eastern Area Buying Team:** (Thompson) Unavailable  
**Eastern Area Prevention Team:** (Regan) Unavailable  
**Eastern Area Fire Use Module:** (Alyea) Available

| Aviation Resources        |              |        |      |                 |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------|------|-----------------|
| Water Scoopers/Airtankers |              |        |      |                 |
| Call Sign                 | Make/Model   | EX/CWN | Unit | Status          |
| T-263                     | CL-215       | EX     | MFC  | Available local |
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| Helicopters               |              |        |      |                 |
| N22HX                     | Bell 206 L-4 | EX     | SUF  | Available local |

| Resources committed inside the Eastern Area |           |          |          |          |
|---|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Agency                                      | Aircraft  | Crews    | Engines  | Overhead |
| BIA   | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        |
| BLM   | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        |
| FWS   | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        |
| NPS   | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        |
| NWS   | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        |
| STATES                                      | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        |
| USFS  | 0         | 0        | 0        | 4        |
| OTHER                                       | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        |
| <b>Grand Total</b>                          | <b>0</b>  | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>4</b> |
| <b>+/-</b>                                  | <b>-1</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> |

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|--|----------|----------|----------|-----------|
| Agency                                       | Aircraft | Crews    | Engines  | Overhead  |
| BIA  | 0        | 0        | 0        | 3         |
| BLM  | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0         |
| FWS  | 0        | 0        | 0        | 6         |
| NPS  | 0        | 0        | 0        | 9         |
| NWS  | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0         |
| STATES                                       | 0        | 0        | 0        | 15        |
| USFS   | 0        | 0        | 0        | 43        |
| Interagency                                  | 0        | 1        | 0        | 0         |
| Other  | 0        | 0        | 1        | 0         |
| <b>Grand Total</b>                           | <b>0</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>76</b> |
| <b>+/-</b>                                   | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>-1</b> |

Reports above reflect resources as shown in ROSS; unreleased resources will make these reports less accurate.

| Eastern Area Crews on Out of Area Assignment |           |                             |               |      | Total: 1 |
|--|-----------|-----------------------------|---------------|------|----------|
| Crew Name                                    | Crew Type | Assignment                  | Incident Name | Mob  | IARR     |
| MOCC #10                                     | T2IA      | 2008 Hurricane Ike Response | TX-FEM-080006 | 9/14 | None     |

Crew is still stationed near Lake Jackson, TX clearing roads and doing clean-up work.

| Crews Available |           |          | Total: 8 |
|-----------------|-----------|----------|----------|
| Crew Name       | Crew Type | Jet Port |          |
| NHS #3          | T2        | MHT      |          |
| PAS#9           | T2        | MDT      |          |
| WIC #5          | T2IA      | DLH      |          |
| MIFC #10        | T2IA      | DLH      |          |
| KBIC #4         | T2IA      | DLH      |          |
| PAS #6          | T2IA      | MDT      |          |
| NEP #2          | T2IA      | MHT      |          |
| CTS #2          | T2IA      | MHT      |          |

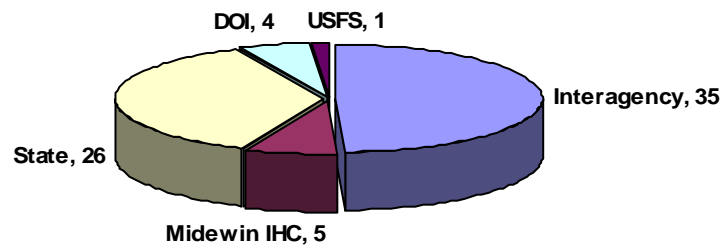
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|               | Human Fires  |               | Lighting Fires |            | Year to date |               |
|---------------|--------------|---------------|----------------|------------|--------------|---------------|
| Agency        | Fires        | Acres         | Fires          | Acres      | Fires        | Acres         |
| <b>BIA</b>    | 342          | 1,961         | 0              | 0          | 342          | 1,961         |
| <b>DDQ</b>    | 13           | 76            | 0              | 0          | 13           | 76            |
| <b>FWS</b>    | 16           | 157           | 1              | 0          | 17           | 157           |
| <b>NPS</b>    | 18           | 65            | 0              | 0          | 18           | 65            |
| <b>ST</b>     | 8,984        | 52,859        | 119            | 273        | 9,103        | 53,132        |
| <b>FS</b>     | 293          | 676           | 9              | 49         | 302          | 725           |
| <b>TOTALS</b> | <b>9,666</b> | <b>55,794</b> | <b>129</b>     | <b>322</b> | <b>9,795</b> | <b>56,116</b> |

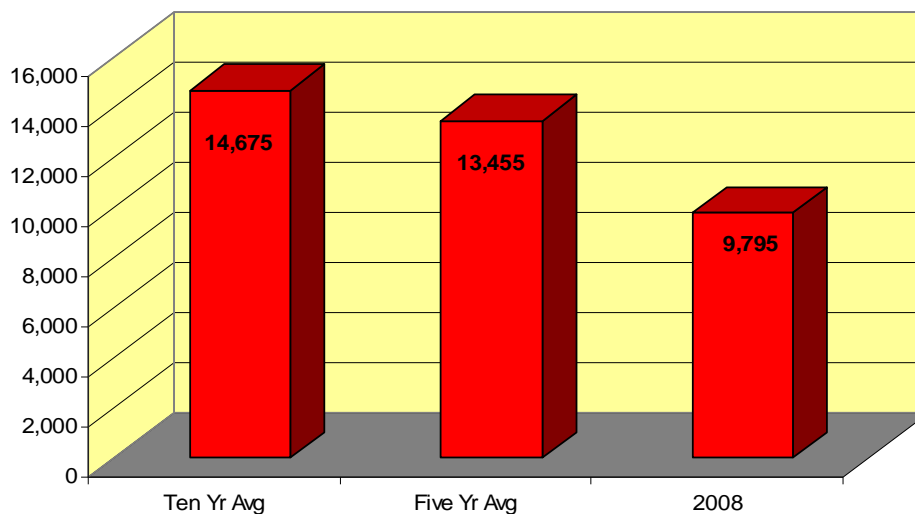
### 2008 YTD Crew Assignments on Fire

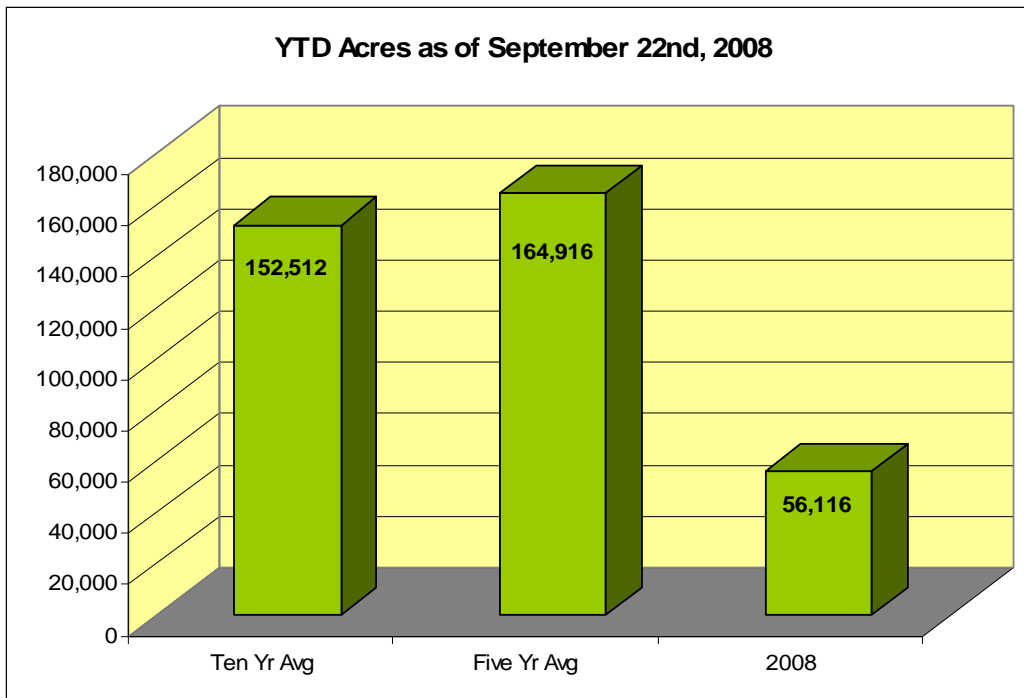
**Total: 71**

(As of 09/13/08)



### YTD Fires as of September 22nd, 2008





**Helpful web links:**

- **Eastern Area Fuels Fire Danger:** [http://gacc.nifc.gov/eacc/predictive/fuels\\_fire-danger/fuels\\_fire-danger.htm](http://gacc.nifc.gov/eacc/predictive/fuels_fire-danger/fuels_fire-danger.htm)
- **National Hurricane Center updates:** <http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/>
- **Eastern Area Coordination Center:** <http://gacc.nifc.gov/eacc/index.htm>
- **Fire and Fuel Advisories:** [http://www.nifc.gov/nicc/predictive/fuels\\_fire-danger/fuels\\_advisories.htm](http://www.nifc.gov/nicc/predictive/fuels_fire-danger/fuels_advisories.htm)
- **Fire Danger Pocket Cards:** <http://fam.nwcg.gov/fam-web/pocketcards/>
- **Large fire Map of active incidents:** [http://activefiremaps.fs.fed.us/lq\\_fire2.php](http://activefiremaps.fs.fed.us/lq_fire2.php)
- **Six Minutes for Safety:** [http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp\\_sixminutes.php](http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php)
- **Aviation Safety Alerts:** [http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/av\\_safety/safety\\_alerts/index.html](http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/av_safety/safety_alerts/index.html)